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The following errors are listed on the attached form PTO-1050.

Col. 10, line 10 (claim 5, line 2), delete "comprises copper and".

Col. 10, line 39 (claim 11, line 8), after "barrier layer" insert -- comprising tantalum --.

Col. 10, line 40 (claim 11, line 9), after "layer" insert -- comprising copper --.

Col. 10, line 43 (claim 11, line 12), change "applyingi" to -- applying --.

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